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FOR CND REP MATHEA FALCO

E.O. 11652: NA

TAGS: SNAR

SUBJECT:PRE-DEPARTURE CUSTOMS CHECK OF TURKISH MIGRANT  
WORKERS TO BERLIN

REF: GENEVA 2775 (NOTAL)

1. DURING WHITE HOUSE DOGOLOFF TEAM DISCUSSIONS WITH  
BERLIN AUTHORITIES FEBRUARY 1-3, PROBLEM OF INFLUX OF  
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HEROIN INTO BERLIN BY WAY OF SCHOENE-FELD AIRPORT IN THE  
GDR WAS PERSISTENT THEME. AVAILABLE EVIDENCE POINTED  
TO TURKISH NATIONALS (MIGRANT WORKERS) ACTING AS COURIERS  
USING VARIOUS POINTS OF INGRESS INTO BERLIN, BUT GENERALLY  
OFF TRI-WEEKLY CHARTER FLIGHTS FROM ISTANBUL TO SCHOENE-  
FELD. LACK OF ADEQUATE CUSTOMS CHECKS AT SCHOENE-FELD  
APPEARED TO PROVIDE HEROIN COURIERS WITH EASY ACCESS

TO WEST BERLIN AND REST OF FRG.

2. ONE OF VARIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS THAT DEVELOPED FROM THE DOGOLOFF TEAM DISCUSSIONS WAS THE POSSIBILITY OF PRE-DEPARTURE CHECKS BY TURKISH CUSTOMS OFFICIALS IN ISTANBUL.

3. PARA 3K, REFTTEL, REPORTED OFFICIAL CONCERN EXPRESSED BY TURKISH REPRESENTATIVE TO CND THAT TURKISH NATIONALS

WERE INVOLVED IN ILLICIT TRAFFICKING AND THAT TURKEY WAS ADDRESSING THIS PROBLEM IN COOPERATION WITH OTHER GOVERNMENTS AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS.

4. YOU MAY WISH TO DISCUSS WITH TURKISH AND GERMAN REPRESENTATIVES THE POSSIBILITY OF INSTITUTING SUCH A PROCEDURE AT ISTANBUL OR OTHER DEPARTURE POINTS IN TURKEY FOR FLIGHTS TO BERLIN.

5. FYI: TO DATE GDR OFFICIAL. HAVE BEEN UNCONCERNED WITH THE GROWING HEROIN PROBLEM IN WEST BERLIN AND, IN NEAR TERM AT LEAST, UNLIKELY TO COOPERATE WITH BETTER CONTROL AT SCHOENEFELD AIRPORT. THE TURKEY END OF THE CONNECTION APPEARS TO BE THE BETTER PROSPECT FOR CONTROL. VANCE

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